AGENDA FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2004

Immediately Following Directors' Meeting CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MINUTES

- 1. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of March 1, 2004.
- 2. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes Executive Session RE: Personnel Matter February 23, 2004.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

- 1. Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development Investors' Meeting (Camp)
- 2. RTSD Board Meeting (Cook/Friendt/Svoboda)
- 3. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Cook)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - NONE

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR -

NONE RECEIVED IN COUNCIL OFFICE - TO BE ANNOUNCED

V. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

- Lincoln Action Program, Inc. Please Join Us! A reception featuring guests from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Lincoln Free To Grow on Wednesday, March 10, 2004 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at The Apothecary Loft, Suite 500, 140 North 8th Street - Brief Program at 6:00 p.m. - Complimentary Beverages & Hors d'oeuvres. - (See Invitation)
- 2. West Gate Bank Center Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting Ceremony marking the opening of West Gate Bank Center on Saturday, May 1, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. will have a short ceremony followed by tours of the new bank facility located at 6003 Old Cheney Road RSVP to Carl J. Sjulin at 434-3450 or by E-Mail. (See Letter of Invitation)

VI. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

VII. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2004 CONFERENCE ROOM 113

Council Members Present: Jon Camp, Chair; Terry Werner, Vice-Chair; Jonathan Cook, Annette McRoy, Patte Newman, Ken Svoboda; ABSENT: Glenn Friendt

Others Present: Mark Bowen, Corrie Kielty, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Joan Ray Council Secretary; Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Members Camp, Friendt and Svoboda; Nate Jenkins, Lincoln Journal Star representative.

I MINUTES

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Chair Camp requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Ken Svoboda moved approval of the minutes, as presented, by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Terry Werner and carried by unanimous consensus of the Council Members present.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES -

1. LINCOLN PARTNERSHIP FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTORS' MEETING (Camp) Mr. Camp reported that John Wood from the Airport Authority had given a report on the Master Plan. They're looking at a host of things and background on ways to redirect more from West 48th and be more sensitive to the residential area that is growing up out there. Mr. Wood's presentation had included possible ways of angling the street more inward - into the Air Park.

Mr. Camp noted that there had been a report on biotechnology and its importance to Lincoln. He added that Mr. Bob Moline, CEO of Home Services of Nebraska, gave a presentation on [buildable] lot shortages in Lincoln. Mr. Camp took this moment to bring forward a request which he had received from Mr. Moline for a Pre-Council presentation before the entire Council on this issues. This request was discussed at some length. The content and intent of the presentation were discussed as well as the fact that Council rarely hears presentations from private individuals during Pre-Council discussions. It was agreed that this was a timely topic on which Council would like to have information, but that they would have the Planning Department direct the Pre-Council and have Mr. Moline in attendance to answer any questions Council Members might have of him. The material that he had passed out at the LPED Meeting was copied for the Council Members.

Mr. Camp continued the LPED report. Ms. Newman, noting Mr. Camp's mention of the Airport Authority, asked if everyone was happy with the air service in Lincoln. Mr. Werner commented that no one is happy with the air service in Lincoln. Ms. Newman said that she just wondered if that is an issue, noting again that Mr. Camp had stated that the Airport Authority had made a presentation. Mr. Camp explained that they had discussed the Master Plan for the Airport. That did not really include air service, but was concerned more with the infrastructure out there at the old airport and the buildings that are being torn down and what is being utilized. They talked about an area up north that had some good potential for inter-modal and trans-modal opportunities that are being investigated. It was more from a planning ahead standpoint - on how to best utilize this resource of the Air Park. It did not include air service. A large focus was on how to change and manage the truck traffic on N.W. 48th Street through the Air Park. They were being empathetic with the neighborhood.

Mr. Camp further reported that there was a funding update on LPED. He noted that, as Council is aware, LPED is under a major funding campaign. It sounds like they're having very good success with the \$10,000 and higher level. They'd like to focus a little more on the lower levels. This update had been in direct response to the Angelo Economics Report.

- 2. RTSD (Cook/Friendt/Svoboda) Mr. Svoboda reported that they had approved the Budget and reviewed the projects. And that was about it. Mr. Cook added that the budget which had been approved was the "preliminary budget". Mr. Svoboda agreed.
- 3. PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (Cook) Mr. Cook noted that the PRAB Meeting had been a short one with the Regular Board, then they broke away to a Special Meeting with the Board and the Planning Commission to discuss the Trust for Public Lands. Mr. Cook noted that they are working with us in coming up with ways to acquire park land and open space in the community long term. He stated that they had talked about ballot issues, etc. They've done a lot of research and had a report that was very nicely done. They've had a lot of experience gathered from other communities. They don't come in with any particular "agenda", but listen to what the community wants and then helps them out in finding ways to fund their projects.

Mr. Cook thought the presentation was very interesting. Part of what was discussed had been the bond issues and how they would relate to what we're talking about with the infrastructure financing and the bonds and even school bonds. At this point it is all just discussion, but it was valuable information. Mr. Cook asked that copies of the report be obtained for Council Members. [These were requested from the Parks Department on 03-08-04]

OTHER MEETINGS - None.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - Ms. Kielty passed out a list of the upcoming Appointments to the Council Members. Mr. Werner indicated that he had had a suggestion for one of the Code Tasks Forces on which Ms. Kielty had requested input from Council. Now he didn't know what to do, since the nominees had already been named.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - Mr. Bowen commented that he was passing around a handout of the the list of pending legislation that is currently before the Unicameral in which the Council may have interest. [Copy on file in Council Office] Ms. Kielty briefly reviewed that list for the Council Members. She noted that the Legislature was still debating the Constitutional Amendment for the State Fair. She did not know what would be done with that. She noted that the gas tax is 12th on the current Agenda, which Ms. Kielty had placed on the back of the list so Council could see the entire Agenda.

She noted that they had heard that LB1176, which is the State-wide Communications Bill, was killed in Committee, but the Clerk's Office and the Committee Staff both indicated that there had been a motion to Indefinitely Postpone, but it failed. So, now the bill is just sitting in Committee right now.

- V. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS Noted Without Significant Comment.
- VI. MISCELLANEOUS None
- VII. COUNCIL MEMBERS -

JON CAMP - No Further Comments

JONATHAN COOK - No Further Comments

GLENN FRIENDT - Absent

ANNETTE MCROY - No Further Comments.

PATTE NEWMAN - No Further Comments

KEN SVOBODA - No Further Comments

TERRY WERNER - No Further Comments

MARK BOWEN - No Further Comments

CORI KIELTY - No Further Comments

DANA ROPER - Mr. Roper commented that Attorney Mike Reirden, concerning the Alley Vacation on 27th Street, would like a two week continuance instead of one week. Council Members indicated no concern with such a continuance.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately 12:10 p.m.

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